John Price House (Old Court House) Saint Genevieve Saint Genvieve County Missouri

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PROJECT NO. 1107 FIRST Court House

"First Brick House West of the Mississippi River".

The exact date of the erection of this house is not known but records show that it was built sometime before the year 1806.

This house was used as the first Court House in Ste. Genevieve Territory.

The house, it is said, was built by John Price.

This is a two story brick house. Gable roof. Wood cornice of pleasing detail. Very well preserved.

Property now in possession of Geonge J. Sexauer.

Information: Fair Play.

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An addendum to:
John Price House (First Courthouse)
Du Bourg Place
Third and Market Streets
Ste. Genevieve
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#### HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

Addendum to JOHN PRICE HOUSE (First Courthouse)

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Location:

DuBourg Place, Third and Market Streets, Ste. Genevieve,

Ste. Genevieve County, Missouri

## HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

The following information was recorded by Alexander Piaget and Charles van Ravenswaay at the time the photograph was taken:

Built ca. 1800-1804. Handmade brick laid up in Flemish bond. Common bond in gable end suggests building once had hipped roof. The bricks are slightly larger in size than those used later. Characteristically Anglo-American of the period. The cornice is the same as that on the stone Valle House.

"You will be told the first court was held in this building, but this is not true. It was built for a tavern and so used until occupied by Israel (?) Dodge who was the first Sheriff and the court was held there." (Mrs. Ida Schaff to Charles van Ravenswaay).

John Price, a Kentuckian, ran a ferry from Ste. Genevieve to Kaskaskia. House sold in 1806 by Sheriff Henry Dodge to Joseph Pratte in settlement of a small debt.

### PROJECT INFORMATION

The Piaget-van Ravenswaay Survey consists of a number of photographs, primarily of sites and structures in Missouri, which were taken before 1938 by Alexander Piaget and after that by Paul Piaget, both in conjunction with Charles van Ravenswaay. Photographs of buildings were incorporated into the HABS collection in 1985 by Laura Rupp and in 1986 by Deborah Fulton, HABS historians. A master list is available in the American for MO-1800.

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John Price House (First Courthouse)
Northeast corner of Third and Market Streets
Ste. Genevieve
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